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In re Application of:
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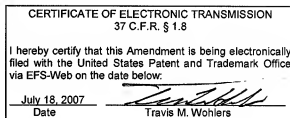
For: RATIONALLY DESIGNED AND
CHEMICALLY SYNTHESIZED
PROMOTER FOR GENETIC VACCINE
AND GENE THERAPY

Group Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: Whiteman, Brian A.

Atty. Dkt. No.: UTSD:788US

Confirmation No.: 9475



**I. AMENDMENT; AND II. RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
DATED MAY 18, 2007**

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2007, for which the date for response is August 18, 2007. This paper is being submitted within the 2-month date for provoking an Advisory Action. It is believed that no fees are required in connection with the filing of this paper; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/UTSD:788US.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.